

Assignment 4 :- Cyber Security

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Why are digital Signatures considered more secure than handwritten Signatures in legal and financial transactions?

Discuss how the use of digital Signatures in India has accelerated the adoption of digital governance.

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Digital Signature v/s Handwritten Signatures in Legal and Financial Transactions

(1) Security of Digital Signatures:-

Digital signatures are generally considered more secure than handwritten signatures because they utilize cryptographic algorithms - such as Public Key Infrastructure - to ensure that the signature is uniquely tied to the signer and the document.

(iv) Digital Signature

(ii) Authenticate Identity:- They confirm the signers identity through encryption keys which are difficult to forge.

(ii) Provide non-repudiation :- Once a document is digitally signed the signer cannot deny their involvement in signing the document.

(iii) Digital Signatures and Digital Governance in India

India has embraced digital signature to modernize and simplify governance fostering the digital economy and ensuring

Online Transaction

- (iv) The Aadhar system (a biometric identification program) and e-filing of taxes benefit from digital signature to ensure the security and authentication of transaction.

Q.2 How does CERT-In collaborate with International Cybersecurity agencies?
How does CERT-In's role extend beyond incident response to include proactive measures like vulnerability assessment?

Soln CERT-In's collaboration with International Cybersecurity Agencies to combat cyber threats and improve cybersecurity.

(i) Interpol:- CERT-In works with Interpol to share intelligence on emerging cyber threats and improve cybersecurity.

(ii) ITU (International Telecommunication Union):- CERT-In participates in global forums with ITU to establish cybersecurity standards, best practices and responses to large scale cyber incidents.

(iii) CERT-In's Role Beyond Incident Response-

While CERT-In is primarily focused on incident response, it also plays a proactive role in enhancing India's cybersecurity posture.

- **Capacity building** - CERT-In works to enhance the cybersecurity knowledge and readiness of both public and private sector entities through training and awareness programs.
- **Vulnerability assessments** - CERT-In conducts assessments to identify weaknesses in infrastructure and recommends mitigation strategies.

Q.3 With the rise of AI-driven attacks and quantum computing on the horizon, do you think current mechanisms like firewalls and encryption will become obsolete?

Soln Impact of AI and Quantum Computing on cybersecurity

- As AI-driven attacks and quantum computing evolve, traditional security mechanisms, such as firewalls and encryption, face growing challenges.
- **AI driven attacks** :- AI can be used to automate and refine attacks making them faster, more targeted and harder to detect.